

Amendment to the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-30.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-30 (cancelled)

Claim 31 (original) A transfer system for cereal bags comprising:

a bagger system;

a cartoner system; and

a transfer system in cooperation with the bagger system and the cartoner system, the transfer system self adjusting to support asynchronous operation of the bagger system and the cartoner system.

Claim 32 (currently amended) A vertical feed operation comprising:

a vertical feed bagger system;

a conveyor in cooperation with the bagger system;

a cartoner system[:]; and a

a transfer system in cooperation with the conveyor and the cartoner system, the transfer system self adjusting to support asynchronous operation of the bagger system and the cartoner system.

Claim 33 (original) A conveyance system comprising a bagger system, a cartoner system, and a transfer system, wherein operation of the bagger system is uncoupled to operation of the cartoner system.